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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Room TWB204 Washington, D.C. 20054

Ex Parte Presentation in Docket No. 00-30

Dear Ms. Roman Salas:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this letter are being filed as notice that representatives of The Walt Disney Company (Disney) attended a meeting on September 14, 2000, with the following members of the FCC's Cable Services Bureau: William Johnson, Deputy Chief; Sherille Ismail, Deputy Chief; To-Quyen Truong, Associate Chief; Royce Dickens, Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division; John Wong, Chief, Engineering and Technical Services Division; Darryl Cooper, Attorney Advisor; and Nancy Stevenson; Attorney Advisor and Priya Shrinivasan, Attorney Advisor to discuss issues relating to the pending merger between AOL and Time Warner. Representing Disney were Preston Padden, Executive Vice President, Eric Haseltine, Executive Vice President, Robert Lambert, Senior Vice President, James Olson and Mark Schildkraut (Legal Counsel, Howrey Simon Arnold & White), Larry Sidman (Legal Counsel, Verner, Liipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand, Chtd.), and myself.

The parties discussed issues raised by Disney in its comments and letters filed in this proceeding. Disney addressed concerns regarding the technical ability of the merged entity to discriminate against non-affiliated program providers. Specifically, Disney reviewed the various ways interactive triggers work in a cable system and the means by which such triggers could be stripped out or disabled. Disney also reviewed the elements that it believes are necessary to ensure meaningful non-discrimination and open access. These elements are outlined in detail in Disney's *ex parte* filing dated September 14, 2000.

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Yours truly,

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